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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (a) and (d) of section 76 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927), the State government hereby makes the following rules, namely :--

Short title extent and commencement.

1. (1) These rules may be called the Sikkim Forest (Grant of Permission to Enter Reserve Forests) Rules, 2007.
   (2) They shall extend to the whole of Sikkim.
   (3) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

Definitions.

2. (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:—
   (a) "Act" means the Indian Forest Act, 1927;
   (b) "Government" means the State Government of Sikkim;
   (c) "Principal Chief Conservator of Forests" means an officer of that designation in whose territorial jurisdiction the Reserve Forest is located;
   (d) "Reserve Forest" means a forest area as notified or indicated in a map or toposheet of the Survey of India or the Government land records.

   (2) Words and expressions used herein but not defined but defined the Act shall have the meaning respectively assigned to them in the Act.

Persons not to enter Reserve Forest except by permission.

3. No person shall enter a Reserve Forest except by authorization by a permit which will be issued as hereinafter provided.

Persons to apply.

4. Any person, hereinafter called applicant, who wishes to enter a Reserved Forest, shall apply to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or his subordinate officers having territorial jurisdiction, in Form A.

Principal Chief Conservator of forests to issue permit.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, shall after consideration of the application submitted to him under rule 4, either directly or through any officer so authorized by him, issue the permit in Form B on payment of such fee that may be notified by Government.

Provided the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests may reject the application submitted to him for consideration, on ground that may or may not be stated by him.

Provided further that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests may authorize any officer to grant permission to any person to enter any Reserve Forest under these rules.

Applicant not to engage in certain activities. Rules not to apply to certain persons.

6. The applicant shall not engage in any activities prohibited by section 26 of the Act, except those allowed by the permit issued under rule 5.

7. These rules shall not apply to persons entering any forest in pursuance of a right that has been recognized for that forest under the Act or any other law for the time being in force.

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FORM A

(See rule 4)

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ENTER RESERVE FORESTS

1. Name of Applicant :

2 .Age :

3. Sex :

4. Permanent Address :

5. Name of Reserve Forest for which permission is required :

6. Purpose for which permission is required :

7. Period for which permission is required :

From: To:

8. Mode of Travel to forest :

9. Whether any vehicle will be taken into the forest area : Yes/ No.

Signature: Place:

Name: Date:

UNDERTAKING

I ..... hereby undertake that I shall abide by all the rules pertaining to entry into Reserve Forests and in the event of any violation of the same may be subjected to legal action. Further I.....also undertake that I will go into the Reserve Forest of my own free will and not hold the Government of Sikkim or any of its officers or personnel responsible for any mishap that may occur to me in the Reserve Forest

Signature:

Name:

FORM B

((See rule 5)

PERMIT FOR ENTRY INTO RESERVED FOREST

Mr./Mrs./Ms..... is allowed

to enter .....Reserved Forest

from .....to.....for the activities mentioned below:

1. .....

2. .....

3. .....

4. .....

Mr./Mrs./Ms.....shall strictly not engage in any activity other than those mentioned above.

Mr./Mrs./Ms.....is allowed to travel to abve mentioned forest by.....(Vehicle No. if applicable)

Fee paid Rs.....

Signature of Authorised Officer